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PRESS RELEASE

Commissioner George P. Bush announces release of the GLO's State of Texas Action Plan for disaster recovery funding

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Today Texas Land Commissioner George P. Bush announced that the Texas General Land Office (GLO) has completed the State of Texas Action Plan detailing eligible uses and allocation of available funding to assist communities with long-term recovery from the floods and other disasters of 2015.

116 Texas counties are eligible for recovery funding as a result of receiving Presidential Disaster Declarations for 2015 events. The GLO's Community Development and Revitalization (GLO-CDR) program will oversee administration of \$50,696,000 in Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery funds provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for these recovery efforts. Cities, counties, and housing authorities in the declared areas are eligible to apply.

"The GLO's Community Development and Revitalization program plays a vital part in helping communities across Texas with long-term recovery efforts," said Commissioner Bush. "Prioritization is critical in order to maximize the efficacy of disaster recovery funding. Therefore, our CDR team has worked diligently to communicate with leaders in affected communities to gather valuable input to guide decision making in the action plan development process. The GLO will continue to work with our partners throughout Texas to restore a sense of comfort and community spirit through recovery efforts."

For three months the GLO's CDR team members worked with localities and Councils of Governments across the state as well as with the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) to complete a comprehensive needs assessment and develop an action plan representative of local recovery needs and other considerations. As with previous disaster recovery grants, GLO-CDR will be efficient with the funds in order to maximize the number of projects that can be completed by the communities of Texas.

Please visit www.TexasRebuilds.org to review the Action Plan. Comments should be submitted to CDR@glo.texas.gov by September 16, 2016. GLO-CDR will submit the final action plan to HUD for approval on September 20, 2016.

About GLO Disaster Recovery

The Texas General Land Office administers, on behalf of the State of Texas, community development block grant-disaster recovery funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Texas was allocated \$3.1 billion for hurricanes Ike and Dolly and \$36.3 million as a result of the 2011 wildfires.

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